

REMARKS

In the Office Action, claims 1-35 were allowed and claims 36-40 were rejected. Applicants respectfully disagree with the stated rejections for claims 36-40 in the Office Action. Nevertheless, Applicants have herein canceled claims 36-40 in order to expedite allowance of the application, and without prejudice of Applicants' right to seek claims the same as or similar to claims 36-40 in a future continuation application.

The cancellation of rejected claims is permissible in response to a final Office Action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b).

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of the now-pending claims (i.e., claims 1-35). If the Examiner is of the opinion that the instant application is in condition for disposition other than allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below in order that the Examiner's concerns may be expeditiously addressed.

Respectfully submitted,

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